trade data are maintained on financial year basis. Exports of readymade garments during the years 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 (available for the period April—January, 1994-95) are as under:—

	US $ Million
1992-93	2393
1993-94	2586
1994-95 . . . . (April-January)	2507
1993-94 . . . . (April-January)	2020

(Source : DGCI&S, Calcutta).

(b) and (d) Exports of readymade garments recorded increase of 8.1 per cent in 1992-93, 8.1 per cent in 1993-94 and 24.1 per cent during April-January, 1994-95 over the corresponding period in 1993-94.

(c) Does not arise.

Committee on import of plastic scrap waste

5078. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have appointed a committee to draft guidelines for the import of plastic scrap waste; and

(b) if so, what are the names of the members of the committee and its terms o reference?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The names of the members of the committee are as under:—

1. Smt. Lalitha B. Singh,
   Advisor,
   Deptt. of Chemicals & Petrochemicals.
2. Shri Alok Goyal,
   Project Officer.
3. Shri P. Venkatesan,
   Jt. DGFT,
   Office of DGFT,
4. Shri Y. P. Kakar,
   Director,
   Ministry of Environment & Forests.
5. Shri S. R. Singh, I.A. (Gen.)
   Deptt. of DC(SSI).

The Committee has been appointed to formulate guidelines for import of all kinds of plastic waste/scrap (except PET bottle waste).

Export of Cardamon

5079. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total export of cardamom during the last three years;

(b) what are the total amount of foreign exchange earnings of cardamom exports during the said period, Statewise;

(c) whether there is spurt in cardamom exports; and

(d) what are the encouragement schemes Government have taken to boost cardamom growing as well as its exports?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) The details of the total export of cardamom (Small and large) and the amount of foreign exchange earned during the last